# SPARTANBURG 5 SCHOOL DISTRICT 100 North Danzler Road Duncan, SC 29334 PK-12 GRADES 5.866 Students ENROLLMENT Dr. Sidney Crumpton 864-949-2350 SUPERINTENDENT BOARD CHAIR Bo Corne 864-949-0868 FISCAL AUTHORITY District Board THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2003 ANNUAL DISTRICT REPORT CARD ABSOLUTE RATING: GOOD Absolute Ratings of Districts with Students like Ours Excellent Good Average Below Average Unsatisfactory 2 IMPROVEMENT RATING: UNSATISFACTORY ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS: N/A SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country. FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WEBSITES AT: WWW.MYSCSCHOOLS.COM WWW.SCEOC.ORG

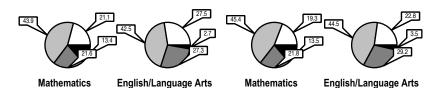
#### PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2001	Good	Unsatisfactory	N/A
2002	Good	Average	N/A
2003	Good	Unsatisfactory	N/A

#### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our District

Districts with Students like Ours



# **Definition of Critical Terms**

Advanced

Very high score; very well prepared to work at next grade level; exceeded expectations

Proficient

Well prepared to work at next grade level; met expectations

Basic

Met standards; minimally prepared, can go to next grade level

Did not meet standards; must have an academic assistance plan; the local board policy determines progress to the next grade level

NOTE: Science and social studies are to be included in the 2005 school report card.

TENTH GRADE PASSA	GE OF ONE	or More	SUBTES	TS OF TH	IE EXIT E	XAM
		Our Distric	ct	Distri	icts with Stu Like Ours	dents
Percent	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Passed all 3 subtests	65.1	71.1	69.8	73.2	72.5	71.4
Passed 2 subtests	17.6	18.7	20.1	15.2	15.5	16.6
Passed 1 subtest	10.6	7.2	6.9	7.6	7.6	7.4
Passed no subtests	6.7	3.0	2.9	4.0	4.3	4.1

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	3	
Percent of	Our District	Districts with Students Like Ours
Seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions*	14.7	18.7
Seniors who met the SAT requirement	14.7	19.8
Seniors who met the grade point average	58.1	56.7

<sup>\*</sup>Using only the SAT and grade point average requirements

Full-pay meals

## PACT PERFORMANCE BY GROUP

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				nglish/Lar	nguage A	rts		
All students	2,878	99.8	27.5	42.5	27.3	2.7	30.0	17.6
Gender	2,010	00.0	2.10	12.0	2110		0010	1110
Male	1,520	99.7	33.4	42.4	22.5	1.7	24.2	17.6
Female	1,358	99.9	20.9	42.6	32.7	3.8	36.5	17.6
Racial/Ethnic Group								
White	2,018	99.9	20.9	43.3	32.1	3.6	35.8	17.6
African-American	674	99.7	45.5	40.7	13.7	0.2	13.9	17.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	53	100.0	22.0	34.0	38.0	6.0	44.0	17.6
Hispanic	125	99.2	45.1	41.2	13.7		13.7	17.6
American Indian/Alaskan	2	100.0						17.6
Disability Status	_							
Not disabled	2,348	99.8	19.6	44.8	32.3	3.3	35.6	17.6
Disabled	530	99.6	61.9	32.7	5.4		5.4	17.6
Migrant Status								
Migrant		0.0						17.6
Non-migrant	2,878	99.8	27.4	42.5	27.3	2.7	30.1	17.6
English Proficiency								
Limited English proficient	67	100.0	62.3	29.5	8.2		8.2	17.6
Non-limited English proficient	2,811	99.8	26.6	42.8	27.8	2.8	30.6	17.6
Socio-Economic Status								
Subsidized meals	1,239	99.8	42.4	42.1	14.8	0.7	15.5	17.6
Full-pay meals	1,635	99.9	17.3	42.8	35.8	4.1	39.9	17.6
				Mathe	matics			
All students	2,878	99.9	21.1	43.9	21.6	13.4	35.0	15.5
Gender								
Male	1,520	99.9	22.3	43.2	20.4	14.1	34.5	15.5
Female	1,358	99.9	19.6	44.7	23.1	12.6	35.7	15.5
Racial/Ethnic Group								
White	2,018	100.0	15.1	43.1	24.9	16.9	41.8	15.5
African-American	674	99.9	38.3	46.6	11.3	3.8	15.1	15.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	53	100.0	12.0	44.0	26.0	18.0	44.0	15.5
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# **Abbreviations for Missing Data**

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### PACT PERFORMANCE BY GRADE LEVEL

		Enroll	8401 0/c	0/08	sho \ a/a	0/0	0/0	1 0/0 blo.
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				English	n/Langua	ge Arts		
	Grade 3	454		14.9	37.1	42.2	5.8	48.0
	Grade 4	443		15.9	47.2	35.3	1.6	36.9
2	Grade 5	517		25.7	43.1	30.6	0.6	31.2
2002	Grade 6	377		23.1	40.8	29.8	6.4	36.2
	Grade 7	482		23.1	46.3	25.6	5.0	30.6
•	Grade 8	446		28.2	43.3	24.4	4.1	28.5
	Grade 3	452	100.0	17.6	34.3	44.2	3.9	48.1
	Grade 4	474	99.8	20.3	41.3	35.4	3.0	38.4
8	Grade 5	494	99.6	33.2	50.4	16.2	0.2	16.4
2003	Grade 6	561	100.0	31.7	37.7	26.4	4.2	30.6
	Grade 7	393	100.0	26.6	46.1	26.0	1.4	27.4
	Grada 8	504	99 4	33.2	45.7	17.8	3.4	21 1

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▲ Grade 3	454		16.4	36.2	22.9	24.4	47.3
Grade 4	443		17.1	38.3	26.4	18.2	44.6
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Grade 7	393	100.0	27.4	37.7	19.2	15.7	35.0
Grade 8	504	99.8	30.7	48.5	13.9	6.9	20.8

## STATE PERFORMANCE ON NATIONAL TESTS

Terra Nova: a national, norm-referenced achievement test.

		Percei	ntage of st	udents sc	oring in the	e upper ha	lf, 2002	
	Rea	ding	Lang	uage	Ma	ath	To	tal
Grade	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
3	49.2	50.0	51.5	50.0	58.2	50.0	54.8	50.0
6	57.6	50.0	49.0	50.0	51.2	50.0	51.4	50.0
9*	56.1	50.0	46.8	50.0	51.6	50.0	51.2	50.0

<sup>\*</sup> Grade 9 estimates were based on a sample that may not be representative of the entire 9th grade population.

National Assessment of Educational Progress: a national, criterion-referenced achievement test.

					Pei	cent of st	udents sco	ring		
			Adva	anced	Prof	cient	Ba	sic	Below	/ Basic
Test	Grade	Year	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Reading	8	2002	1	3	23	30	44	43	32	25
Writing	4	2002	1	2	16	26	65	58	18	14
Mathematics	8	2000	2	5	15	22	37	38	45	34

# PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

		n Passage pring 2003		y for LIFE arships*	Gradua	tion Rate
	n	%	n	%	n	%
All Students	304	97.4%	265	14.7%	282	93.3%
Gender						
Male	155	98.7%	136	13.2%	157	85.4%
Female	148	95.9%	129	16.3%	125	99.0%
Race or Ethnic Group						
African American	57	98.2%	53	5.7%	62	85.5%
Hispanic	2	I/S	5	0.0%	6	83.3%
White	238	97.5%	204	16.7%	210	96.2%
Other	6	83.3%	3	I/S	4	I/S
Disability Status						
Non-speech disabilities	27	88.9%	18	0.0%	34	52.9%
Students without disabilities	277	98.2%	247	15.8%	0	98.8%
Migrant Status						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
Non-migrant	4	I/S	265	14.7%	0	N/A
English Proficiency						
Limited English proficient	1	I/S	2	I/S	4	I/S
Non-LEP	298	97.7%	263	14.8%	272	96.0%
Lunch Status						
Subsidized meals	54	94.4%	42	0.0%	63	66.7%
Full-pay meals	249	98.0%	223	17.5%	219	99.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Using only the SAT and grade point average requirements

# 2002-2003 College Admissions Tests

SAT	Ver	bal	Ma	ıth	То	tal
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
District	514	481	523	502	1037	983
State	488	493	493	496	981	989
Nation	504	507	516	519	1020	1026

ACT	Eng	lish	Ma	ıth	Rea	ding	Scie	nce	To	tal
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
District	19.4	19.3	19.4	19.7	19.7	20.1	19.5	19.6	19.7	19.8
State	18.8	18.7	19.1	19.0	19.3	19.4	19.2	19.2	19.2	19.2
Nation	20.2	20.3	20.6	20.6	21.1	21.2	20.8	20.8	20.8	20.8

## SCHOOLS IN "SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STATUS"

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

Attendance rate	ledia: istric	ive Ivie	Districts with Students Like Ours	Change from Last Year	ur District	C
Kindergarten         0.2%         Down from 2.7%         3.4%         4           Retention rate         95.6%         Down from 96.3%         95.6%         95           Meeting grade 1 & 2 readiness standards         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A           Gon academic plans         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A           On academic probation         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A           With disabilities other than speech         13.1%         Up from 11.5%         11.6%         11           Older than usual for grade         2.3%         Down from 2.4%         3.2%         4           Suspended or expelled         0.6%         Up from 0.5%         1.3%         1           Enrolled in AP/IB programs         10.7%         N/A         N/A         N/A         N/A           Suspended or expelled         0.6%         Up from 122         210         1         1           Enrolled in AP/IB programs         10.7%         N/A         N/A <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>students (n= 5,866)</td>						students (n= 5,866)
Attendance rate Meeting grade 1 & 2 readiness N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	
Meeting grade 1 & 2 readiness standards  Standards  Standards  In 16.1% 11.0% 11.0% 12.0%	4.0%	4	3.4%	Down from 2.7%	0.2%	Retention rate
On academic plans  N/A  N/A  N/A  N/A  N/A  N/A  N/A  N/	05.4% N/A					Meeting grade 1 & 2 readiness
With disabilities other than speech   13.1%   Up from 11.5%   11.6%   10	0.7% N/A					
Suspended or expelled	N/A 0.6%					
Enrolled in AP/IB programs 10.7% N/A N/A N/A Successful on AP/IB exams N/A	5.5% 1.6%					
diploma programs  Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs    Teachers (n= 442)	0.0% N/A			N/A		
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs  Teachers (n= 442)  Teachers with advanced degrees 55.2% Up from 54.8% 52.5% 47. Continuing contract teachers 81.9% Down from 82.7% 86.9% 88. Highly qualified teachers N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A Teachers returning from previous year 90.0% Up from 88.1% 91.9% 88. Teacher attendance rate 95.4% Up from 94.7% 95.7% 98. Average teacher salary \$41,265 Up 0.8% \$41,265 \$38. Prof. development days/teacher 20.2 days Up from 12.4 days 10.9 days 11.3  District  Superintendent's years at district 5.0 Up from 4.0 3.0 Student-teacher ratio 18.4 to 1 Up from 17.1 to 1 22.9 to 1 20.6 Prime instructional time 90.1% Down from 90.2% 90.1% 88. Dollars spent per pupil* \$7,419 Up 2.4% \$6,750 \$7. Percent spent on teacher salaries* 60.6% Up from 55.4% 57.5% 56. Opportunities in the arts Excellent No change Excellent Excellent Parents attending conferences 98.9% Down from 99.0% 98.4% 96. Number of schools 8 No change 0  Number of magnet schools 0 No change 0  Number of magnet schools 0 No change 0  Portable classrooms 1.8% Down from 2.0% 7.8% 3. Average age in years of school facility 17 N/A 25  Number of schools with SACS 7 N/A 9  accreditation 1940 prof. State N/A N/A N/A	186		210	Up from 122		
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#### SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNANCE

**Board Membership** 

2 trustees elected to single-member seats, 7 trustees elected to at-large seats

**Fiscal Authority** 

District Board

Average Number of Hours of Training Annually 0.0 per board member

Percent new trustees completing orientation 100.0%

#### DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

District Five Schools of Spartanburg County is home to eight highly successful, award-winning schools. Located in the center of a vibrant, rapidly growing international business community, we serve 5950 students with a staff of over 700. Our mission is to offer opportunities and cultivate excellence in many areas of education. As the population of our area continues to escalate, we are moving forward with our efforts to accommodate our increased enrollment. A new middle school is currently under construction in the district. This new school will serve 7th and 8th grade students and will relieve the overcrowding at D. R. Hill Middle School.

We believe that the practice of measuring student achievement is vital to the fulfillment of our educational mission. We also believe that there are factors and criteria other than test scores that must be present for a school to be considered successful. The report card that you are reading presents our standardized testing results as a key indicator of our success or failure. These results are important. They do not, however, represent the sole measure of accomplishment for a school or district.

There are many factors that must be combined in order for a school district to provide quality service to its customers. Among other things, a district must have a quality staff, adequate facilities, superior academic programs, dedicated leadership, adequate resources, and the support of community members. We attempt to balance these factors with state and federally mandated standards and testing every day. The task of achieving excellence is made more difficult by the ever-increasing budget challenges that public education is facing. Fortunately, we have a talented and resourceful staff of professionals in District Five who meet these challenges and enable our children to succeed.

As we look to the future, we will continue to focus on growth and improvement for our educational system in District Five. We pledge to offer the students of our district a world-class education in a safe, inviting, and friendly environment. Our children deserve the best and we will make every attempt to provide for their needs.

#### DEFINITIONS OF DISTRICT RATING TERMS

- Excellent District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
   Below Average District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal